

St Mary's Catholic Primary School

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Diocese of Plymouth

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Dear Parents and Carers,

We have had another productive week at St. Mary's with 85% of children signed up to use the 'Google Classroom'. This is fantastic news and it is great to see so many children interacting and working hard. Year 4 have the most children signed up with 57 children but the lowest numbers are in Year 5 and 6 where only 45 children in each year group have signed up. Hopefully we can improve that this week! It has also been lovely to welcome new children to our school via the 'Google Classroom' and to see them interacting and having conversations with their new friends.

Mario's 'floating and sinking' experiment

Here are some of my highlights from the classrooms

Martha's amazing diorama of the tomb

this week. I hope you enjoy them as much as I do.



Anthony's beans are growing!





Natasha's finding and labelling of rocks







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Valeria's RE work, both Task A and Task B completed.

Finally, I wanted to share with you a superb achievement by Tommaso, a former pupil of St. Mary's. He has launched his own app which can be downloaded free from the 'App Store'. It is to help children stay focused and to concentrate for sustained amounts of time. Great work Tommaso, well done! Download your 'Concentrated Focus Tomato App' now.

We would like to hear your feedback about the 'Home Learning' so Mr Thomas has put together a questionnaire which we hope you will all respond to and we will then work on your feedback. As you will appreciate this is new for all of us but we are determined to make sure that it works as well as it possibly can for the children, for you and for our teachers.





The Gospel Value this week was 'Respect' and I posted my liturgy on Monday on the classrooms as well as on the website.

Next Friday is a bank holiday and school will be closed. It is also the commemoration of 75 years since VE day. We have had a request from BBC Radio Solent to make bunting to display in your windows. Details of how to make and display your own bunting are here: www.bbc.co.uk/makeadifference

Please send photos of your bunting either to the school office or post on the google Classrooms and I will tweet as many as I can between the 8^{th} and 10^{th} May.



Please remember if you need to get in touch with anyone in school you can call the office between 8.30 and 3.15pm or you can send in an email. If it is about school work please use this email address support@st-marys.poole.sch.uk stating your child's name and class and someone will get back to you as soon as possible.

Yours faithfully,

Helen Armstrong Headteacher

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